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RESOLUTION 2021-38

A RESOLUTION to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law, proclaiming the first day of school through the end of the month of September as Child Safety and Speed Awareness Month in the City of Lakewood, commencing September 2021.

BY:

WHEREAS, as a densely populated, pedestrian friendly community, the City of Lakewood is deeply invested in ensuring a safe environment for the thousands of children who walk and bike to school throughout the city; and,

WHEREAS, the Lakewood Council of PTAs and the Lakewood Division of Police have once again implemented the "Brake 4 Kids" lawn sign and public education program to raise awareness and cultivate a safe environment for our children and the many pedestrians and cyclists who traverse our neighborhood streets; and,

WHEREAS, this safety education program seeks to remind drivers of motor vehicles of the importance of abiding by speed limits and to obtain their voluntary compliance, especially in and near school zones; and,

WHEREAS educating motorists through this unique speed awareness program will assist the City's public safety forces in their continuing efforts to make our community a safer place for children, pedestrians, cyclists, and all community members; and

WHEREAS, as set forth in Section 2.12 of the Third Amended Charter of the City of Lakewood, this Council by a vote of at least two thirds of its members determines that this legislation is an emergency measure and that it shall take effect immediately, and that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public property, health, and safety and to provide for the usual daily operation of municipal departments, in that this public safety messaging is needed in a timely manner; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, STATE OF OHIO.

Section 1. That this Council and Mayor hereby recognize and declare the first day of school through the end of the month of September each year, commencing September 2021, as Child Safety and Speed Awareness Month in the City of Lakewood in support of the efforts made by the Lakewood Council of PTAs and the Lakewood Division of Police.

Section 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all such deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 3. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare in the City and for the usual daily operation of the City for the reasons set forth and defined in the preamble to this Resolution, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption by the Council and approval by the Mayor, or otherwise it shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: 9 1 2021	Daniel J. O'Malley, Council President
	Maureen M. Bach, Council Clerk
Approved: $9/8/7/$	Meghan F. George Mayor